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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I support the Microsoft antitrust settlement agreement. While I have been opposed to this lawsuit from its inception, I believe settling the case now is in everyone's best interests.

The settlement agreement provides for a variety of concessions on Microsoft's part. They have agreed to increase server interoperability. They have also agreed to make a great deal of changes in the way they handle their relationships with software developers. Once the settlement agreement is finalized, Microsoft will not retaliate against software or hardware developers who develop or promote software that competes with Windows. Nothing more should be expected or required of Microsoft beyond the scope of the current settlement agreement.

I urge your continued support of resolving this case. Thank you for your efforts in this regard.

Sincerely,

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